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Applicant:

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4-OXO-1-(3-SUBSTITUTED PHENYL-1,4-DIHYDRO-1,8-NAPHTHYRIDINE-3-

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4 INHIBITORS

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to a Non-final Office Action, mailed October 27, setting forth a shortened period for response ending January 27, 2007. Reconsideration of Applicants claims is requested. Any additional fees required in connection with this application may be taken from Merck Deposit Account number 13-2755. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the claims: are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments: begin on page 8 of this paper.

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